(c) if so, the outcome of the said meeting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) Yes, Sir. Chief Minister, Delhi has been requesting Chief Minister of Haryana from time to time to release raw water to Delhi for meeting the drinking water requirements of the people of Delhi.

(b) and (c) The last meeting of Chief Ministers of Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh and National Capital Territory of Delhi was held on 12th May, 1994 and a Memorandum of Understanding regarding allocation of surface flow of Yamuna was signed by Chief Ministers of these States.

Reservoir Schemes

699. SHRI AAS MOHAMMAD: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of reservoir schemes submitted by various states during the last three years;

(b) the date of receipt of these schemes by the Central Government; and

(c) the date on which these were returned to the respective State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (c) The details of new major and medium irrigation projects received during the last three years are given in the Annexure. [*See Appendix* 171, *Annexure* No. 18]

Population of Old Aged Persons

700. Shri JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the estimated population of elderly persons above the age of 60 years in the country as on 30th June, 1994.

(b) whether Government are aware that old people in unorganised sector are living in a wretched state; if so, what is their number; and

(c) what measures Government are taking to improve their lot?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU): (a) According to the Registrar-General of India, 1991 Census age data is still awaited. However, they have informed that according to the Sample Registration System (SRS) the estimated population of persons in the age-group of 60 plus as on 1-7-94 is 54 millions.

(b) and (c) While it cannot be generalised that all those in the 60 plus age are leading a wretched life, it is a matter of guess that several may be not in a very happy situation. However, State Governments are implementing Old Age Pension Scheme. Besides Central Government has also launched a scheme to assist voluntary organisations to set up Old Age Homes Day-Care Centres, Mobile Medical Services for the welfare of the aged. So far 126 Old Age Homes, 182 Day-Care Centres and 11 Mobile Medical Care units have been set up under the scheme. The State Governments also have schemes for the Welfare of aged and give assistance to NGOs.